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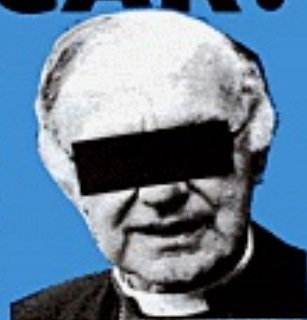
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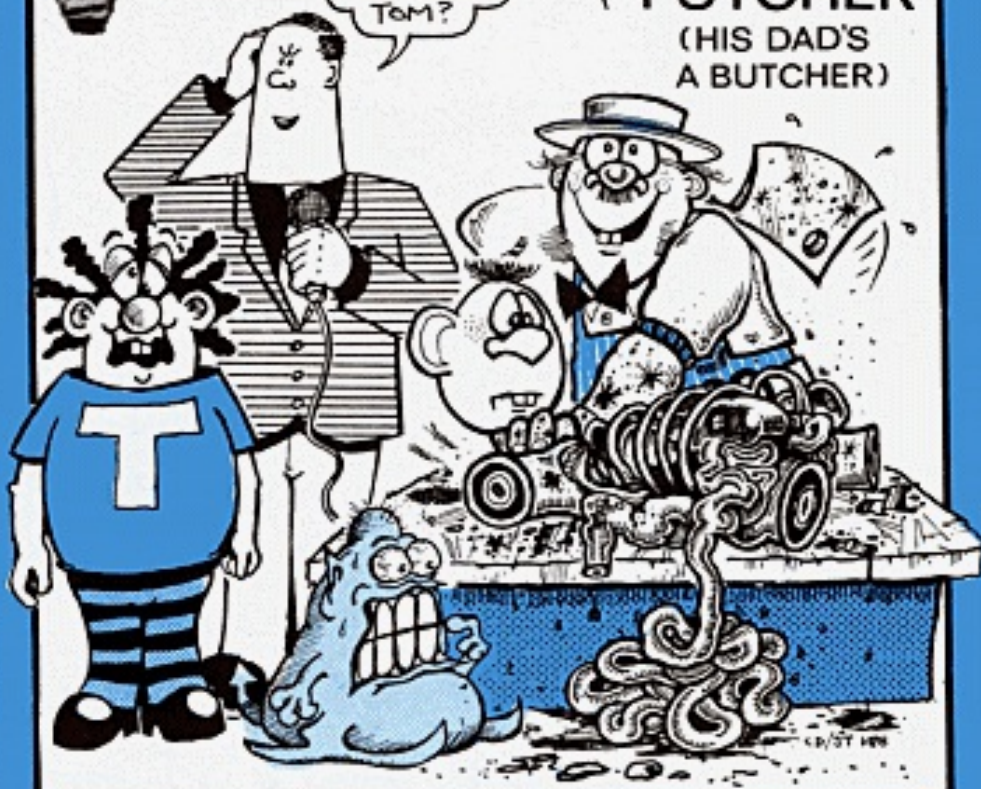
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I'm still in the dark

'What a con' I thought after spending £200 on replacement light bulbs for my living room. I still hadn't found one that worked.

It was only then that I remembered — I'd had my electricity cut off the week before!

D. Bastard
Northfleet

Congratulations. This letter scoops our star prize — a Newcastle United F.C. vacuum flask. Send a letter to Letterbox today, and you could be a winner too.

So, the Bank of England are about to introduce a new 10p coin, half the size of the existing ten pence piece. It will be lighter, and more convenient to handle, so they tell us.

Just who do they think they're kidding? Any fool can see the real reason for the change. By melting down all the old 10p pieces and making TWO new coins out of each old one, the greedy Bank of England stand to make a massive profit of over £10 billion. Yet they still make us pay bank charges the minute our accounts go into the red.

Mrs Brady
Fulchester



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What a frightful waste of good money, throwing away all the old coins and replacing them with new ones. Especially when they tell us the new 5p piece will look just like the old sixpence. Why don't they simply re-introduce the old sixpences, with a little sticky label attached to indicate its new value. Surely great savings could be made this way.

Mrs Janice Windthorp
Nuneaton

*** Not a bad idea, Mrs Windthorp.** We've passed it on to the Bank of England. Does anyone else have any not bad ideas? Write to 'Not Bad Ideas' at our Letterbox address.

Is it true that the new 10p coins soon to be introduced will be waterproof? If so, congratulations to the Bank of England. I work as a swimming bath attendant and often don't have time to empty my pockets before diving into the pool.

Bob Patterson
Manchester

*** Yes Bob, both the new 5p and 10p pieces will be guaranteed waterproof.** And more good news — The Bank of England tell us that research into the new 'theft proof' £10 coin is well underway, although it won't be in circulation until 1998 at the earliest.

The PAGE with a PUNCH that makes your nose bleed

Here we go again. The Bank of England are about to introduce more confusing new coins, when most of us have only just got used to the old ones. What is the point? New coins may look nice and shiny when they are first introduced, but they soon get dirty once in circulation.

Why don't the banks spend more money encouraging people clean their coins, instead of producing new ones. If everyone looked after their change properly coins would still look as good as new after ten, twenty or thirty years. And what's more, I bet prices wouldn't go up so fast.

Ethel Paynter
Cheltenham

It's a dog's life

My pet labrador Goldie is a mischievous little thing. The other day while I was drinking heavily in the pub he borrowed my cashpoint card from my coat pocket and cleared out my bank account. He has watched me using it many times and must have simply been copying my actions. Unfortunately I was not able to recover any of the money, and when I explained this to the bank I was rather abruptly asked to leave.

Is there any way I can claim my money back from the bank, as the sum involved is in excess of £2,000 and I hold the bank partly to blame for allowing this to happen.

Mr A. Waterspoon
Billericay

It's a small world

What a small world it is I thought when I took a wrong turning in my car on the way home from the pub. I was in Africa!

I had mistakenly driven off a bridge and landed on the deck of a cargo ship. When I awoke several days later the ship had docked in Lagos and my car had been unloaded onto the quayside!

Harry Johnson
Grimsby

*** Can any other readers beat that? Have you ever awoken in an unusual or far away place? Write to 'It's A Small World' at our usual Letterbox address.**

'Catching a fallen leaf brings twelve months of happiness', or so the saying goes. I ran to catch one last autumn, but looking up I tripped and fell under a train.

Did it make me happy? It's hard to tell — I was killed almost instantly.

D. Dixon
Dumfries

Chris Serle Jonathan Miller



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'Don't you consider Father Christmas is fortunate that Jesus was born in the winter, when there is often plenty of snow around for his sleigh', said our 4-year-old daughter recently.

'Imagine the cost of replacing the runners every five minutes, due to them being dragged along dry rooftops and roads, had Jesus been born in July', she continued.

Do I win five pounds?
Mr Gary Green
London N15

DOCTOR, I'VE GOT A MIGRAINE

NO, THAT'S JUST A 'BAD HADDOCK'



While watching the snooker on TV last week I was surprised to hear the commentator mention that young Stephen Hendry was going to clear the table. How nice it is to know that despite his rise to stardom and the huge sums of money he already earns, this sensible young man is still prepared to do his share of routine household chores. He should be an example to us all.

G. Ingram
Bristol

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I find it quite alarming the amount of credit which is readily available to shoppers these days. As an experiment I took a trip down our local High Street and visited several clothes shops. To my amazement in every single shop I was offered credit. In the short space of two hours I was given an unbelievable total of £7000's worth of instant credit, and in one shop alone I was able to buy £500's worth of clothes without paying a penny.

It's no wonder young people find it so easy to get into debt these days. I am already two months behind on my repayments and my husband fears we may lose our house.

Mrs C. Birkett
West Bromwich

It's a load of crap

It's hardly surprising to hear that top American TV soaps enjoy audiences of over 80 million, while British shows like 'Eastenders' get only a fraction of that amount. Eastenders is crap.

R. Hartley
Coventry

Miserable sods

Aren't traffic wardens a miserable lot. I shouted colourful abuse at one the other day, hoping to raise a smile.

If you'd seen the look on his face you'd have thought the world was coming to an end! I realise they have a difficult job to do, but what on Earth have these people got against smiling?

Ken Higgins
Deptford

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Following the recent discussions about whether to continue putting the clocks forward and back an hour every year, I have a much better suggestion. Surely the clocks should be permanently put forward 12 hours. This way pedestrians would be much safer on the roads at night, and there would be an enormous saving on electricity as street lights would no longer be required.

R. Oldfield
Clwyd

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Why don't the Water Board take a tip from the motor car industry and put anti-freeze in the water supply? It would eliminate the risk of burst pipes at a stroke.

Tim Rogers
Bristol

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Having been the victim of several nasty accidents at our local ice skating rink I asked the manager whether he'd considered putting some grit down to prevent people from slipping and falling down. I also pointed out that in view of the seemingly high admission prices, some form of heating would not be too much to expect once inside. He suggested we go into a back room to discuss the matter further, whereupon I was beaten about the head and body for several minutes.

You'd think that these people would be grateful to receive suggestions from their customers, and refrain from punching them in the face.

I. Kettleworth
Lynsburry

'It pays to shop around', said the woman standing next to me in a supermarket queue recently. She didn't know how right she was!

I am an Inspector of Shops, and I get paid to go around as many shops as possible and buy things.

G. Bentley
Kettering

Awkward bastards

Why does the driver always get to sit at the front of a bus? Surely the paying customer should have preference when it comes to choice of seats?

Mrs C. Atkinson
Workington

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Our whole family are big fans of American pop singer Prince, so we recently bought four tickets to see him 'live' in concert at Wembley Arena.

When the concert was cancelled we decided to use the tickets to go on a day trip to Edinburgh instead. However the guard insisted we leave the train, claiming that our tickets were not valid, despite the fact that my husband had paid £80 for them.

To make matters worse, after being unceremoniously dumped at Doncaster station, I was told by the bus driver that my London Transport Travelcard was not valid on his bus, and we were left to walk the 150 or so miles back to Highgate. Needless to say, our two daughters, who are probably Prince's biggest fans, were in tears by the end of our journey.

Mrs E. Dunford
Highgate

Top Tips

HAVING trouble with obscene phone callers? Simply install an answering machine — and don't bother switching it on.

A. Dawson
Liverpool

AVOID annoying your neighbours when listening to your music at full blast. Just disconnect the speakers.

P. Hamlet
Manchester

SOIL lasts longer if you dip it in vinegar first.

D. Johnson
Leeds

PLACE your Christmas tree in an alcove, bay window or similar recess. After Christmas, simply block it off using empty Cornflakes packets to build a partition wall. This way there's no need to buy a tree next year. Come December, simply pull down the wall, and there's your tree — decorations and all!

B. Carpenter
Huddersfield

DISCOURAGE burglars by wearing an old policeman's uniform and standing outside your house all day and night.

G. Byker
Rotherhyde

I ALWAYS find it helpful to unfasten the zip at the front of my trousers before urinating.

R. Head
Durham



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BAD NEWS

What was it like at the recording of the Bad News album? Who is the Heavy Metal Farmer? Why do Bad News have an A.G.M. every week? Why wasn't the album called "Satan Ate My K**b"?

Why were Colin and Den Locked in the Studio all Night? Has Spider got a Woodwork CSE? and will Vim ever learn to play "Masterbike"? These and other questions can only be answered by listening to the hilarious new Bad News LP and Cassette - "Bootleg"

NOT FOR THE EASILY SHOCKED!

B O O T L E G



BOSWELL BOYCE HE THROWS HIS VOICE!!!

BOSWELL WANTS TO BE A STAR WITH FUN AND GAMES AND LAUGHTER HE AUDITIONS FOR A T.V. SHOW AND THEN GETS BOLLOCKED AFTER!



Don't be fooled by that friendly face - there could be danger next door!

IS YOUR NEIGHBOUR A VICAR?

Dressed in casual clothes, it's not always easy to spot a Vicar. He may be drinking down the pub, or shopping in the local store. He could even be doing a spot of gardening, only feet away from your kids playing in the street. For all you know, your own neighbour could be a member of the God Squad. You can't always spot them, but here are ten tell-tale signs that would suggest the man next door is a member of the cloth.

● England's top vicar Robert Runcie



1. Does he go to church regularly, and always seems to work on a Sunday? He may leave the house early while other neighbours enjoy a lie in. Keep an eye out for him while you're washing the car.

2. He may have an unusual dress sense, with a preference for black shirts.

3. Does he have an uncanny knowledge of the Bible? Most vicars can quote entire paragraphs from it without once referring to the page.

4. Does he drink a lot of tea, with cakes, and ride around slowly on a bicycle?

5. Has he ever organised a jumble sale. Perhaps he has asked you for unwanted clothes etc., or you know someone who has been approached in this way.

6. Has he ever visited your house at a time of mourning? Funny how he always seems to call round not long after a close relative has died ...

Look out for these 10 tell-tale signs...

7. He plays it straight with the girls — only one woman in his life, and strictly no sex before marriage. You won't catch a vicar playing the field.

8. Is he the quiet type, who drinks only sherry? The type who goes to bed early, and snubs your invitation to a late night party.

9. Is he the friendly type who never seems to get involved in a fight? Always says "hello" when you pass him in the street. Look out for that smile — he thinks he's got you fooled.

10. Does he ever talk about a "Steeple Restoration Fund"? If your neighbour's a vicar, he may even ask you to contribute money towards this.

Here's what to do if you suspect...

If you suspect your neighbour, it may be wise to take the following precautions:

- Make sure your doors and windows are securely locked.
- Remember to cancel milk and newspapers when you go on holiday.
- Don't let your children play unattended, especially near main roads.

You can report vicars to your local police, but they may not be able to do anything unless a crime has been committed.

ANYWAY

Anyway, write their name and address on a postcard and send it to your local police station. Remember to write "VICAR" clearly in the top left hand corner.

Look out for these 10 tell-tale signs...



Spot the Celebrity vicars

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BUSTER CONRAD

and his
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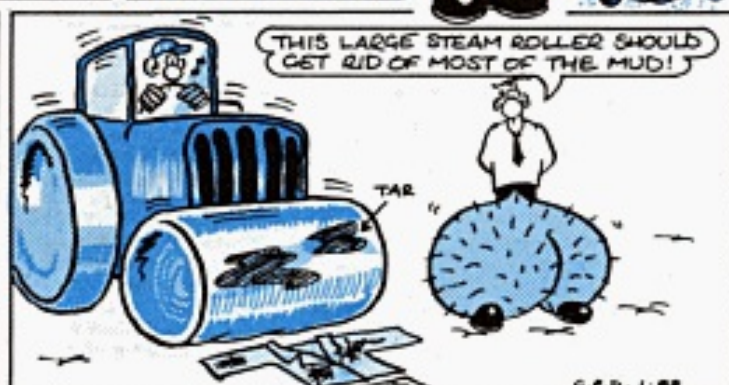
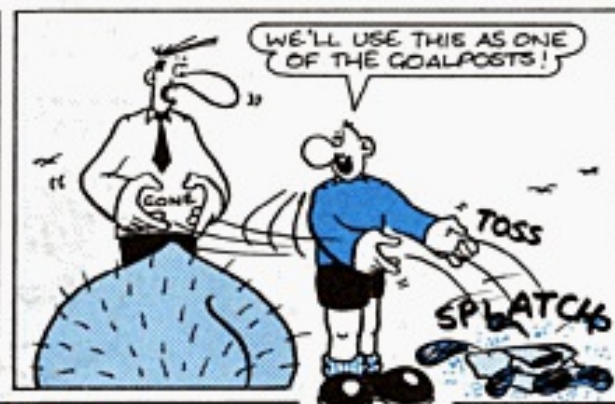
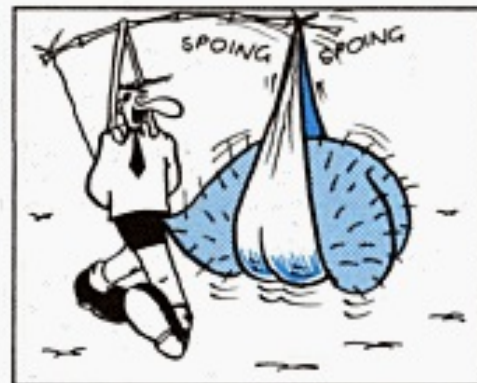


Chart Buster!

Rocks'n Roll is No.1 for swinging Gonad

Hardly surprisingly our very own record 'Bags of Fun with Buster' tops this issue's chart. It's a catchy song by Johnny Japes and his Jesticles, all about Buster Gonad and his unfeasibly large testicles. The record was written and produced by XTC's Andy Partridge who together with John Otway had recorded a demo of the song and taken it round the record companies.

No-one showed any real interest until Andy and John found themselves on the doorstep of pop mogul Rick Spangle, millionaire chairman of Fulchester United F.C. Rick liked the song and decided to release it on his newly formed 'Fulchester Records' label.

SELL OUT

The single is already doing extremely well in our own chart, going straight in at No. 1, and it looks like staying at the top for the rest of 1988, or until we sell out of records. With distribution through the record shops, the record could become a hit in the national charts, but this will depend largely on people buying it.

NUTS

You can make a start by buying a copy right away. If you can't find it in the shops, you can order it direct from us (see the pull out in the centre pages). And don't forget to write to Radio One and ask them to play it.

DJs! Win a toothbrush

Yes, we're offering an attractive hand towel and matching toothbrush to any radio disc jockey who plays our 'Bags of Fun' single. To claim your prize simply play the record on the radio, and make a comment about how good it is. Then write to us stating where and when the record was broadcast. Send the details to 'Buster Gonad Hand Towel and Toothbrush Radio D.J. Offers', PO Box 1PT, Newcastle, NE99 1PT. (Only one hand towel and toothbrush per disc jockey).



Rick Spangle

2 **THE GARGOYLES** are unlucky only to have made the No. 2 slot with their 'Magnificent Church' single. Their name crops up again at numbers 7 and 8, while Reasonable Records stablemates **PINK NOISE** are in at 6 with their 'Thin End of the Wedge' single. Indeed, the Hull based Reasonable label invested a considerable sum of cash in the chart, and were unlucky to be squeezed out of the top slot.

3 **KAK Records** also pumped cash into the chart and ended up with four chart placings to show for it. **FASHION GITS** made the biggest impression at No. 3, while their three other acts scraped in at the lower end of the chart.

4 **£10.02** propels former chart toppers **THE WAIT** only as far as No. 4 in this issue's chart line up. £7.18 was enough to send the London based band to No. 1 back in June 1986 with 'Cry', but there's stiffer competition this time round for their latest effort, a flexi-disc 'Without Me'.

5 **BLACK ALSATION** saved up £8.10 and spent it wisely, getting their debut single 'Something' in at No. 5. The record is available from them at 180 Hilltop Drive, Rochdale, Lancs. OL11 2SB, priced £1.50 including postage.

If you want a record in the Viz Top Ten you know the score. Cheques and postal orders left blank please. Send the cash, plus a copy of the record, to Viz Comic Top Ten, PO Box 1PT, Newcastle upon Tyne NE99 1PT.

The Viz TOP 10

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| No. 1 | BAGS OF FUN WITH BUSTER | £100.00 |
| | Johnny Japes & His Jesticles | (Fulchester) |
| 2 | THE GARGOYLES | £11.74 |
| | The Magnificent Church | (Reasonable) |
| 3 | FASHION GITS | £10.06 |
| | Love Me Love My Tree | (KAK) |
| 4 | THE WAIT | £10.02 |
| | Without Me (flexi) | |
| 5 | BLACK ALSATION | £8.10 |
| | Something | (Instense) |
| 6 | PINK NOISE | £2.01 |
| | Thin End Of The Wedge | (Reasonable) |
| 7 | THE GARGOYLES | £1.51 |
| | Madmen From The Planet Sex | (Reasonable) |
| 8 | THE GARGOYLES | £1.49 |
| | Mr Two Dinners (mini LP) | (Reasonable) |
| 9 | DISKORD DATKORD | £1.00 |
| | Sex Don't Turn Around | (KAK) |
| 9 | BLAM BLAM | £1.00 |
| | She Wears Red Feathers | (KAK) |
| 10 | SEX MAGNETS | 94p |
| | Feed The Baby | (KAK) |

Bags of Fun with Buster

The hit
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Johnny Japes and his Jesticles

WIN A SINGLE

You can win a copy of the Buster single PLUS a Buster Gonad T shirt by answering these simple questions.

1. Which power station did Buster Gonad visit on a recent school trip?
2. Fulchester United chairman Rick Spangle, owner of Fulchester Records, gave Billy the Fish and his Fulchester team mates a lift in his helicopter. Where to, and which team were United playing?
3. What is Shakin' Stevens real name?

Send your answers, on a postcard, to 'Buster Single Power Station Fulchester Helicopter Shaky Competition', PO Box 1PT, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 1PT, to arrive by the end of February. The first SIX correct entries out of the hat will each win a single and T shirt. Winners names will appear in a future issue.

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GIRLS - HERE'S HOW TO HOOK A FELLA!

Girls! If you've got your eyes on a fella it's no use sitting around waiting for the fish to bite. Patience is no virtue when it comes to man hunting. If you don't get your guy, someone else will. Because these days, it's more often the women that make the first move. So in 1988 there'll be no excuses for

being a lonely heart. Even the most dull and unattractive women can make a big catch, providing they play their cards right. And grabbing a guy has never been easier. Hooking a hunk is simple, if you know how. So here's a guide that will help YOU to fish for the dish of your dreams.

Where to start looking...

AT THE OFFICE

Take a good look around the office. Your dreamboat could be sitting at the next desk. Behind those Clark Kent glasses there could be a real *Superman*. If there's no phone boxes nearby, invite him into your stationery cupboard and see what he's wearing underneath his clothes.

Or maybe the boss is more your type? At the end of the day, ask him if there's anything he'd like to go over with you in his office, perhaps.

FISH

Even if you're out of work, there's still plenty of fish in the sea. Next time you sign on, *eye up* that fella behind the window. Why not scribble his *box number* in your little black book, and tell him you'd be interested in claiming some *extra benefits*.

HANDLE

Always keep your eyes open when travelling to and from work. Mr Right could be getting on at the next stop. Play your cards right and you could be *getting off* with him. If a fella offers you his seat, don't be shy. Politely refuse, then smile and sit on his knee. You could be in for a *bumpy ride*. And take a good look at the driver. He can handle a bus, but could he handle you? Ask him *how far he goes*, and whether he's got room for you *downstairs*.

Don't get left on the shelf

AT HOME

Don't panic if you arrive home without a date for the evening. There's no point in simply waiting for the phone to ring. Try the neighbours. Perhaps there's a *tasty dish* in the flat upstairs that you'd like to get your teeth into. Be neighbourly. Borrow a cup of sugar and offer him the use of your shower in return. Suggest you *share it* with him to save on hot water.

PHONE

If you have no luck with the neighbours, don't worry. There's still no need to dine alone. There's an endless supply of men only a phone call away!



● Be ATTRACTIVE at all times and wear EXPENSIVE clothes

Can you smell gas? Better to be safe than sorry. Ring the Gas Board and they'll send a hunky engineer round at the double. Wear perfume when he arrives. With his well trained nose he'll soon *get the scent!*

If you're choosy about your men, make a note of the fire brigade's number. You're guaranteed a choice of at least half-a-dozen fellas, all at least 5'8" tall. Set the table for several guests, and when they arrive tell them your fire's gone out, but you'd still like to *see them in action!*

CLOCK

If Mr Right still hasn't shown up by bedtime, don't despair. There's always tomorrow. Set your alarm clock for five in the morning. You don't want to miss the milkman!

CLOTHES

Dress to catch the eye. **DON'T** wear dull and dreary outfits. Throw out all your old clothes, and buy new ones. Don't be afraid to spend lots of money. Looking good is an expensive business, so open credit accounts with several clothes shops.

Wear **BRIGHT** colours at work to get you noticed. If another girl is wearing bright clothing, make sure yours are **BRIGHTER**. And change your outfit every twenty minutes or so. After all, men don't want to see you in the same clothes all the time.

KETTLE

At night wear something **EXPENSIVE**. A flowing evening gown or layered dress dripping with pearls. Wear lots of jewellery too, like Princess Di. There's a lady who got her man! Even if you're just nipping out to the corner shop, dress as if you were going to a ball. You may bump into Mr Right in the street outside.

FOOD

If you're **OVERWEIGHT**, lose pounds by **NOT EATING ANYTHING** until you're really slim and attractive. Work out a diet to make you **LOOK GOOD** and **FEEL GREAT**. Certain foods will make you look **SEXY**. Eat lots of pork, and stock up on melons and tinned pineapple.

Next issue:

FELLAS!

How to pull a bit of crumpet

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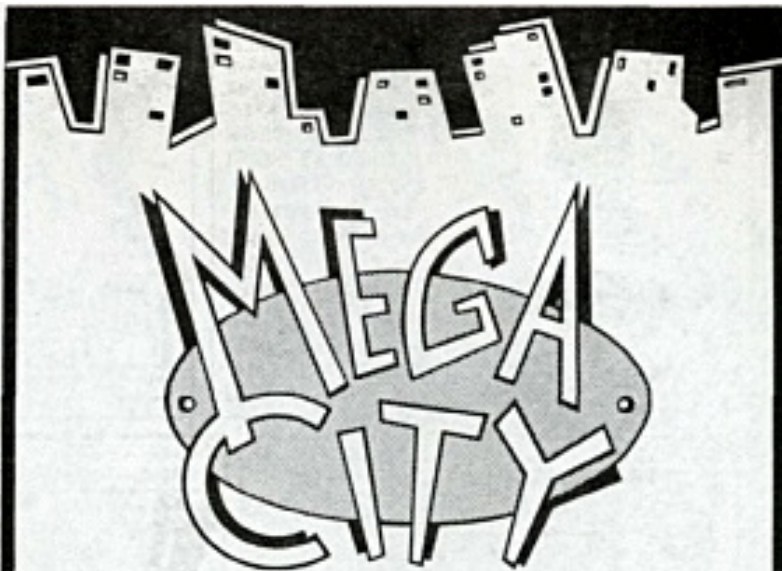
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GOOD MORNING SIR. I WONDER WHICH HAT I MIGHT TRY ON TODAY

HATS

MMM... LET ME SEE NOW

A TRILBY PERHAPS. IMAGINE THE ADVENTURES THIS MUST HOLD IN STORE!

OR A BERET - JUST THINK - I COULD SUDDENLY FIND MYSELF LEADING THE BRAVE RESISTANCE FIGHTERS IN GERMAN OCCUPIED FRANCE

NO... I THINK I'LL GO FOR THIS ONE - A DEER STALKER - AS WORN BY THE WORLD'S GREATEST DETECTIVE SHERLOCK HOLMES!

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NO. ERM, SORRY...

I ERM... I HAVE TO TRY IT ON FIRST... IT'S VERY IMPORTANT

WELL, GO AHEAD. PUT IT ON.

NO... I HAVE TO TRY IT ON IN THE FITTING ROOM YOU SEE...

THEN, WHEN I COME OUT, MY ADVENTURE BEGINS!

YES, IF YOU SAY SO SIR. THE FITTING ROOM IS OVER THERE.

I'LL TRY NOT TO BE TOO LONG, BUT YOU NEVER CAN TELL...

BLOODY FRUITCAKE!

WISSE! MMM... NICE FIT. NOW TO VENTURE OUTSIDE!

I WONDER WHETHER I'LL FIND MYSELF ON A MISTY MOOR ON THE TRAIL OF THE HOUND OF THE BASKERVILLES, OR SOLVING CRIME ON THE POGGY STREETS OF OLD LONDON TOWN...

WELL... HERE GOES!

NOW THEN... WHERE AM I? LET'S SEE...

MMM... I APPEAR TO BE IN A SHOP OF SOME KIND... MOST INTRIGUING!

WELL SIR!

NO DOUBT I AM JUST IN TIME TO SOLVE A FAMOUS CRIME WHICH HAS JUST OCCURRED!

WELL SIR? WHAT DO YOU THINK?

HHMMMM... IT'S TOO EARLY TO SAY. TOO MANY QUESTIONS REMAIN UNANSWERED!

NO SIR - ABOUT THE HAT! DO YOU LIKE THE HAT?

DO YOU HAVE A MAGNIFYING GLASS I COULD BORROW FOR A MOMENT... I APPEAR TO HAVE MISLAID MY OWN

NO SIR, I HAVEN'T. NOW, DO YOU LIKE THE HAT, OR NOT?

TELL ME, WHO FIRST DISCOVERED THAT THE JEWELS WERE MISSING?

JEWELS? YES, WELL, I THINK IT MIGHT BE BEST IF YOU JUST GIVE ME THE HAT BACK NOW SIR!

INDEED, MY THEORY IS THAT THE VILLAIN NEVER LEFT THE BUILDING! I BELIEVE SIR HENRY'S KILLER IS STILL IN THIS VERY ROOM!!!

GIVE ME THE HAT OR I'LL CALL THE POLICE!

IT WAS YOU DR. BAGTHORPE! YOU KILLED SIR HENRY BASKERVILLE!!

RIGHT, THAT'S IT.

THE REAL MAJOR BROWN DIED YEARS AGO. WHEN YOU, HIS LONG LOST BROTHER, RETURNED FROM INDIA, YOU PLANNED TO INHERIT THE ESTATE. BUT YOUR PLANS WENT BADLY WRONG!

SHORTLY...

THAT'S HIM OFFICER. HE'S A LOONEY.

RIGHT

AH! YOU MUST BE FROM SCOTLAND YARD. YOU'RE JUST IN TIME. ARREST THIS MAN FOR THE MURDER OF LORD AND LADY POTTERSBY-BUTTOCKS

NOT YOU AGAIN O'BALSAM! YOU'RE UNDER ARREST.

IT WAS ELEMENTARY, OFFICER. MY SUSPICIONS WERE FIRST AROUSED WHEN I RECEIVED A CALL FROM MISS WIMPOLE. I NOTICED THAT SHE WASN'T WEARING HER GLASSES.

LATER, AT THE READING OF THE WILL, I NOTICED MUD ON THE BUTLER'S SHOES.

COME ON ARSEHOLE! TIME TO GO NOW.

THE FOOTPRINTS IN THE CONSERVATORY MATCHED EXACTLY WITH THE HANDWRITING ON THE SUICIDE NOTE... I WAS ABLE TO DEDUCE THEREFORE THAT...

AH! WHAT'S THAT OFFICER?

MMM... A LARGE TRUNCHEON. I WONDER, COULD I KEEP IT, JUST TO HELP ME REMEMBER...

OOF!



DESPITE BEING BORN HALF-MAN, HALF-FISH, YOUNG GOALKEEPER BILLY THOMSON, ETC. ETC.

FULCHESTER UNITED NEED TO WIN THEIR FINAL GAME OF THE SEASON AT HOME TO ARCH RIVALS GRIMTHORPE CITY IN ORDER TO WIN THE LEAGUE. BUT A DISASTROUS OWN GOAL BY INJURED KEEPER BILLY THOMSON HAS GIVEN THE VISITORS A HALF-TIME LEAD...

IN THE CHANGING ROOM...



WELL BILLY, THIS LEAVES US WITH A MOUNTAIN TO CLIMB

WHAT CAN I SAY BOSS? I'M AS SICK AS A PARROT!

HOW'S THE FIN BILLY? WILL YOU BE ABLE TO PLAY IN THE SECOND HALF?



IT LOOKS GRIM, SID

I CAN HARDLY MOVE IT!

WAIT UM MOMENT! BROWN FOX KNOW UM INDIAN HEALING DANCE ME GIVE IT A TRY BOSS?



GO ON THEN, BROWN FOX. IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE!



AGADAGADUMDUM DUM DUM DUM!

SHE'S CALLING ON THE GREAT HEALING SPIRITS TO RISE UP FROM THE EARTH AND CURE THE LAD

AGADODODOO!

DUM DODODOO! AGADAGADODOO!

SHORTLY...

WELL BILLY, HOW DOES IT FEEL?



GREAT, BOSS. GOOD AS NEW!

RIGHT! LET'S GET OUT THERE AND SHOW GRIMTHORPE WHAT WE'RE MADE OF!!

FULCHESTER GET OFF TO A FLYING START...



THE DASHING LARGE BREASTED REDSKIN IS CLEAR ON THE LEFT!

A PIN-POINT PASS!

BROWN FOX IS GOALWARD BOUND!



BUT COME ON REF! THAT'S A FOUL!

SHOVE!!

FREE KICK!!

UNITED ARE AWARDED A FREE KICK 2 YARDS OUT...



AN OPPORTUNITY, THEN, FOR UNITED. BUT IT WILL TAKE A TREMENDOUS EFFORT TO BEAT THE KEEPER FROM THAT DISTANCE

GRIMTHORPE'S 5 MAN WALL SEEM TO HAVE THE ANGLES COVERED



BROWN FOX IS GOING TO TAKE IT

THE BUSTY REDSKIN IS SURE TO TRY A BANANA SHOT!



UNUSUAL! SHE'S BLASTED THE BALL DOWNWARDS, INTO THE GROUND!



HA! SHEER BRILLIANCE! HER POWERFUL DRIVE HAS TUNNELLED ITS WAY BENEATH THE WALL!

A TOUCH OF CLASS!!

GOAL!!

WHAT A SPECTACULAR EFFORT!

BUT WITH THE SCORES LEVEL GRIMTHORPE STILL HAVE THE ADVANTAGE - NEEDING ONLY A DRAW TO REMAIN AHEAD OF FULCHESTER AND TO WIN THE LEAGUE TROPHY...



THEIR EVIL BOSS GUY PARKER ORDERED HIS SIDE TO TAKE NO CHANCES...

TAKE NO CHANCES



AND IN THE UNITED PAY-OUT MANAGER TOMMY BROWN LOOKS ANNOYED

TIME IS RUNNING OUT SID

WHY WOULDN'T I GIVE FOR A GOAL AT THIS STAGE!



WITH ONLY SECONDS LEFT, BILLY STARTS A MOVE FROM INSIDE HIS OWN 18 YARD BOX...

HERE BROWN FOX, BUT HURRY, THERE'S ONLY SECONDS LEFT!

THIS COULD BE UNITED'S LAST CHANCE!



BREAST BALL!!



SHE CONTROLLED THE BALL WITH HER BOSOMS. BREAST BALL PENALTY TO GRIMTHORPE!

HOWAY REF?!!

PENALTY!

IS IT ALL OVER FOR FULCHESTER? WILL GRIMTHORPE SNATCH THE WINNER FROM THE PENALTY SPOT AND WIN THE TITLE? OR CAN UNITED POSSIBLY BE SAVED? IN THE NEXT ISSUE BILLY FACES HIS BIGGEST TEST!

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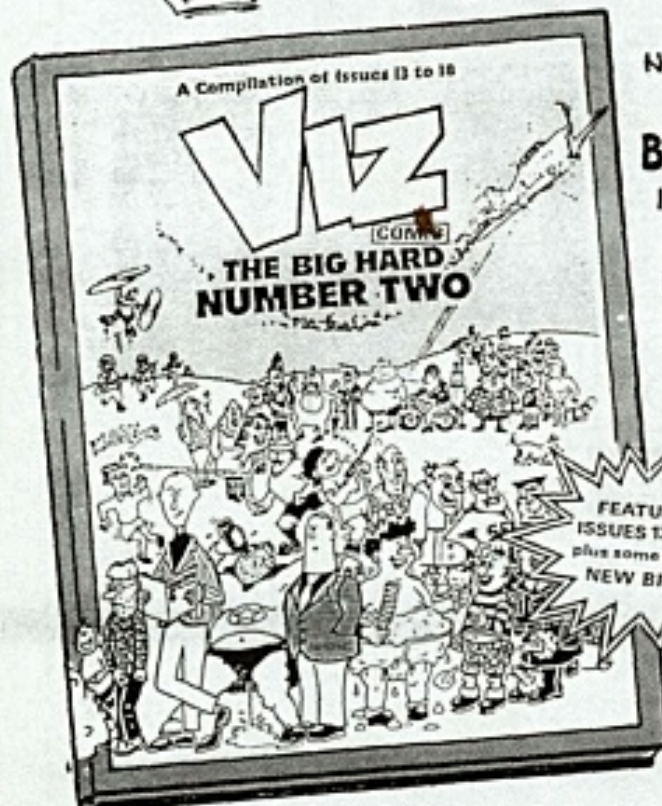
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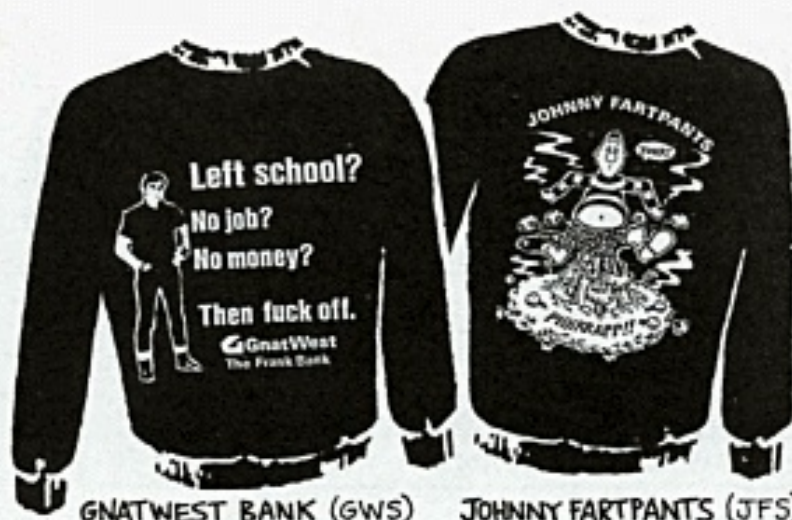
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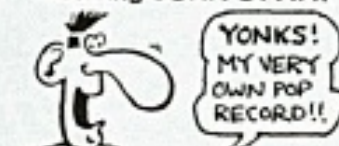
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Two timing telly

sex bonk

etc. etc. etc.

A dream 'Blind Date' trip to Paris soon went sour for shapely hairdresser Janice Johnson. For 21 year old Janice couldn't believe the two-timing antics her date, plasterer Peter Pringle got up to.

She told us how after whispering **SWEET NOTHING'S** in her ears, the romeo rat had:

- **SLEPT** with another woman
- **HAD SEX** with himself
- **MADE LOVE** to a drinks dispensing machine

The couple had been going steady for almost two months after Cilla's 'Blind Date' programme had brought them together. "I was desperate to watch it but my TV was broken", Janice explained. "So I went to the pub to watch it there, and I met Peter in the bar".

RAT

"For the first few days he was fantastic", she told us. "He bought me flowers and rang me every day. Then he bought me tickets for a trip to Paris as a birthday surprise. It was

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really romantic and I looked forward to it for weeks". But once the couple were on the ferry, the trouble began.

"I went to find our cabin, and when I got back I found Peter and a stewardess naked underneath a pile of baggage", she recalls. "He said he'd mistaken her for me, and like a fool I believed him".

HAMSTER

The next morning Janice awoke to find that they were not alone in their double cabin. "I'd heard strange banging noises all night. Then, when I awoke I realised the Peter had two women in his bunk. I was furious, and I stormed off to have a bath".

"Later I realised the whole thing must have been some kind of mistake, and I decided to make up over breakfast. Peter wasn't in the cabin when I got back. I eventually found him in the duty-free shop having sex with a party of German tourists".

FIELD MOUSE

Then other passengers complained that Peter had been interfering with a drinks dispensing machine.

"I went to see what all the fuss was about. The machine had an 'Out Of Order' sign on it, and Peter was standing there with his clothes looking ruffled. There was coffee stains on his trousers".

Later, as the couple dined in a nearby restaurant, Peter disappeared beneath the table and began to have sex with



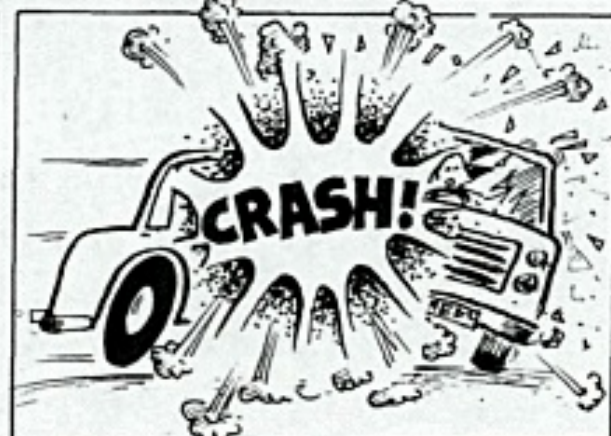
Janice crying yesterday

himself. "I told him to stop it at once and to get on with his meal. I was absolutely furious and I decided to go to the bathroom. When I returned he had that guilty look in his eyes and my soup looked ruffled".

'Blind Date' host Cilla Black was yesterday 'unaware' of the storm surrounding the couple's trip to Paris. A spokesman for a record shop in Newcastle that used to sell Cilla Black's records in the sixties declined to comment.

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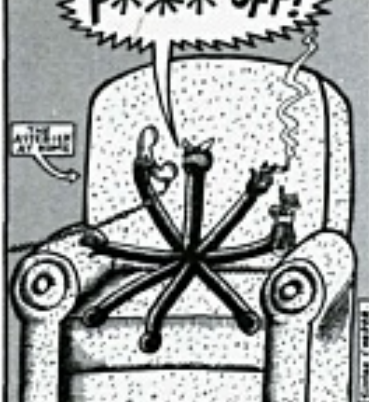
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with our sub-normal twosome!!



WELL- I'LL JUST HAVE TO
BURY HER TONIGHT- I MUST
GET TO WORK!



SOMEONE'S CREEPING
INTO MY BEDROOM!



DIE SCUM THIEF!!



OH! DRAT! IT'S
MOMMY WITH MY
BREAKFAST TRAY!



WTF! SOMEONES TRYING THE FRONT DOOR!!



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DEAR ME!
IT WAS THE
PIPER BOY!



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CARNAGE
LATER....

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I'LL BE LATE FOR
WORK!



RAYMOND ARRIVES AT HIS PLACE OF WORK....

GOOD THERE ARE
LOTS OF POLICE
HERE - IT IS A
CRIME FREE AREA!



THERE'S THE CRAZY
TWAAT THAT DID FOR
THAT BUS- TAKE NO
CHANCES.....



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...IT'S A PLEASURE TO
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HAPPY PSYCHOPATHS!



Aldridge PRIOR

HE'S A HOPELESS LIAR!



IT'S JUST A RUMOUR!

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OH SORRY, I MUST HAVE THE WRONG FILE.



AAAH... YESS... YESS... TAKE A SEAT.



SO, MR. PRIOR, I'LL JUST RUN THROUGH A FEW QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR STATUS.

I'VE ALREADY ANSWERED ALL THOSE.



AH... I AM SORRY, DID YOU FILL IN A FORM THEN?

THAT'S RIGHT, A FORM, I FILLED IN MORE THAN ONE, THREE IN FACT.



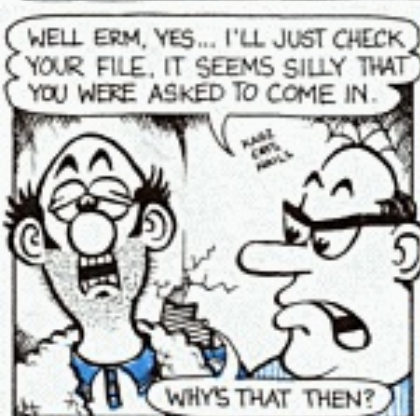
ACTUALLY I FILLED IN FIVE.



YOU FILLED IN FIVE HOUSING FORMS?

YES, THAT'S RIGHT.

YES, AND THEN ANOTHER ONE, MAKING SEVEN, THAT INCLUDES THE ONE I DIDN'T TELL YOU ABOUT.



WELL ERM, YES... I'LL JUST CHECK YOUR FILE. IT SEEMS SILLY THAT YOU WERE ASKED TO COME IN.

WHY'S THAT THEN?



WELL, AFTER FILLING IN ALL THOSE FORMS



I DIDN'T FILL IN ANY FORMS.

I'M SORRY?

I DIDN'T FILL IN ANYTHING. YOU SEE I JUST MADE UP WHAT I WAS TELLING YOU.



SO YOU WERE LYING AGAIN?

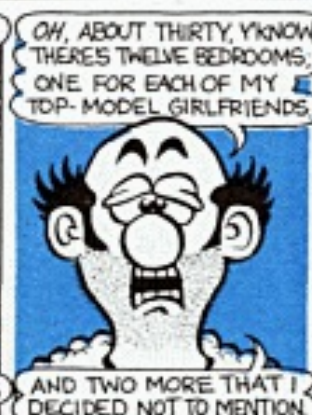
NOT EXACTLY.

ACTUALLY I WAS LYING, BUT I'M NOT GOING TO TELL YOU WHEN.



OOHHH-KAAY... LET'S JUST START AGAIN SHALL WE MR. PRIOR - YOUR ADDRESS?

FIFTY-TWO FESTIVE ROAD, FULCHESTER.



OH, ABOUT THIRTY, Y'KNOW THERE'S TWELVE BEDROOMS, ONE FOR EACH OF MY TOP-MODEL GIRLFRIENDS.

AND TWO MORE THAT I DECIDED NOT TO MENTION.



FOURTEEN BEDROOMS? ... AND HOW MUCH MONEY DO YOU EARN IN A WEEK?

WELL Y'KNOW IF I LAND A REALLY TASTY CONTRACT IN THE STATES I CAN RAKE IN ABOUT... OH, FIVE OR MAYBE SIX THOUSAND.



SIX THOUSAND-A WEEK?!? DOING WHAT?



I'M A LOLLIPOP MAN.

A LOLLIPOP MAN?!!

NO, A TOP FILM DIRECTOR.



WELL, WHATEVER YOU DO MR. PRIOR, IF YOU EARN THAT SORT OF MONEY AND LIVE IN SUCH A LUXURIOUS PROPERTY YOU REALLY CAN'T EXPECT TO BE ENTITLED TO HOUSING BENEFIT.

AH, WELL... I SUPPOSE I MIGHT HAVE LIED.



PLEASE DON'T COME BACK MR. PRIOR UNTIL YOU'RE PREPARED TO TELL THE WHOLE TRUTH.

STING'S DAD DOES DELIVER MILK IN MY MOTHER'S STREET... HONEST... NO, REALLY.



THE GIRL
WITH NO BRAIN

BORN WITH LIME JELLY INSTEAD
OF A BRAIN, YOUNG JELLY-HEAD
ROBERTSON IS COMPLETELY USELESS



TEN MINUTES LATER...



IF ONLY JELLY-HEAD COULD GET
TO THE PHONE



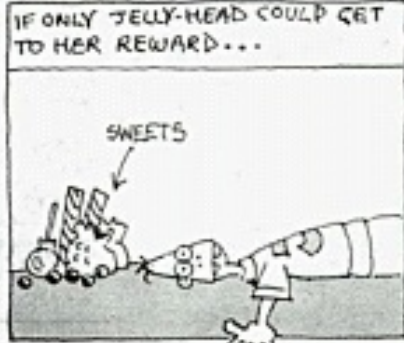
SUDDENLY THE GAS EXPLODES.



MEANWHILE, IN NEARBY PULHESTER
HIGH ST.



GRAB THAT WOMAN, BASHER.
WE'LL NEED A HOSTAGE.



I Will...



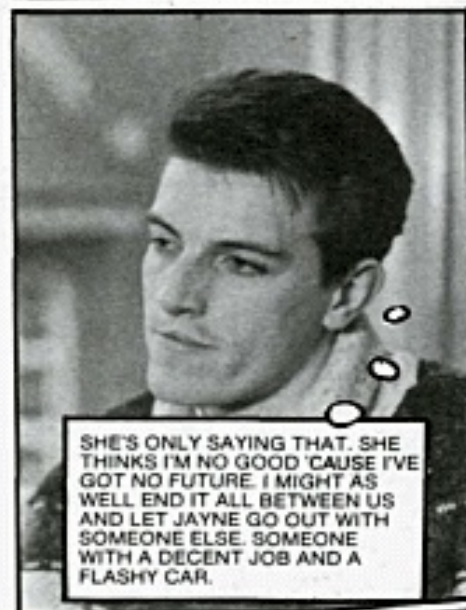
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The day Mr. Fundlecross passed away Sean was devastated ...



NOW WITH MR. FUNDLECROSS GONE I ONLY HAVE YOU DARLING. BUT WHAT KIND OF LIFE CAN I OFFER YOU? PUTTING THE TOPS ON KETCHUP BOTTLES IS HARDLY THE KIND OF CAREER UPON WHICH TO BUILD A HAPPY HOME.

IT'S NOT BRILLIANT SEAN, BUT IT'S A START. AND MORE IMPORTANT THAN THAT, WE LOVE EACH OTHER. I'LL LOVE YOU IF YOU TOP KETCHUP BOTTLES TILL THE DAY YOU DIE!



SHE'S ONLY SAYING THAT. SHE THINKS I'M NO GOOD 'CAUSE I'VE GOT NO FUTURE. I MIGHT AS WELL END IT ALL BETWEEN US AND LET JAYNE GO OUT WITH SOMEONE ELSE. SOMEONE WITH A DECENT JOB AND A FLASHY CAR.

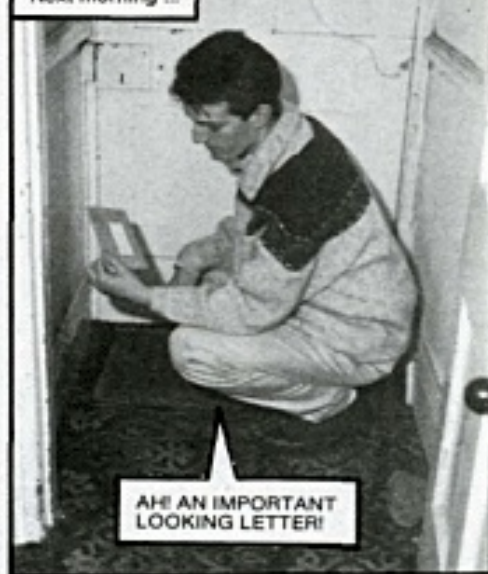


GOODBYE, JAYNE, ... SEE YOU TOMORROW.

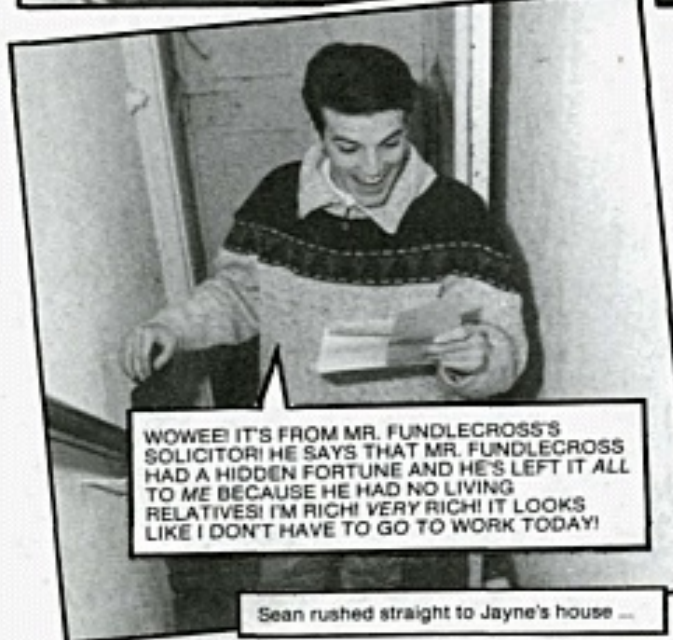
CHEER UP SEAN, REMEMBER — I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU.

YEAH, I SUPPOSE SO.

Next morning ...



AH! AN IMPORTANT LOOKING LETTER!



WOWEE! IT'S FROM MR. FUNDLECROSS'S SOLICITOR! HE SAYS THAT MR. FUNDLECROSS HAD A HIDDEN FORTUNE AND HE'S LEFT IT ALL TO ME BECAUSE HE HAD NO LIVING RELATIVES! I'M RICH! VERY RICH! IT LOOKS LIKE I DON'T HAVE TO GO TO WORK TODAY!

Sean rushed straight to Jayne's house ...



... SO AS YOU CAN SEE I'M A RICH MAN NOW. I CAN PROVIDE YOU WITH ALL YOU NEED TO BE THE PERFECT HOUSEWIFE!

...HMMMMM...

THE ONLY PROBLEM IS THAT I'M NOT ENTITLED TO THE MONEY UNTIL THE DAY I MARRY.

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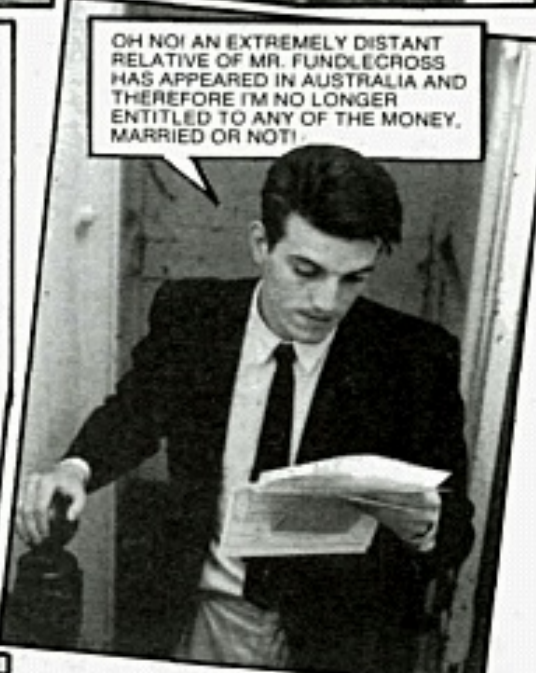
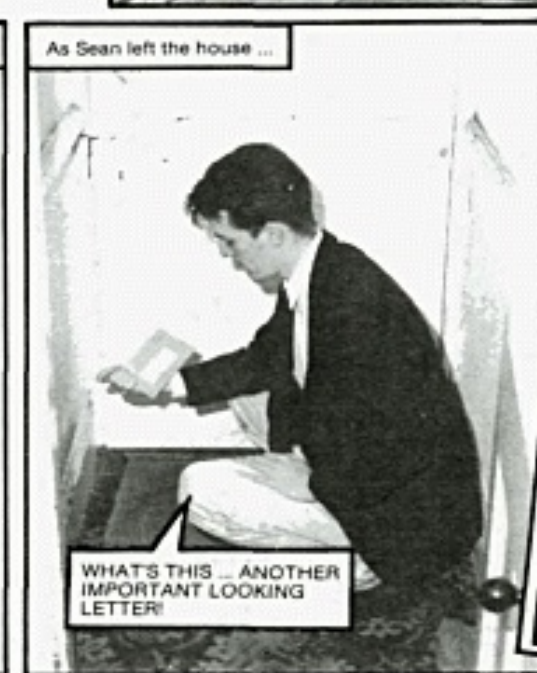
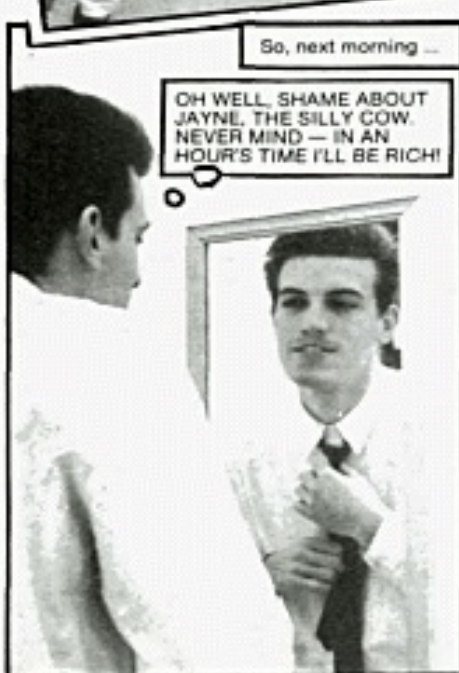


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Sean raced to Jayne's house ...



... SO NOW I REALISE WHAT A FOOL I HAVE BEEN, FOR LOVE OF MONEY IS THE ROOT OF ALL EVIL AND HAS LED ME ASTRAY IN NO UNCERTAIN TERMS.

OH SEAN, YOU COULD SO EASILY HAVE RUINED EVERYTHING BETWEEN US, BUT THANKFULLY EVERYTHING HAS TURNED OUT OKAY.

BUT DARLING, I'VE GIVEN UP MY JOB. WE HAVE NOTHING.



OH YES WE HAVE. WE CAN BOTH KEEP YOUR APPOINTMENT AT THE CIVIC CENTRE!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



YOU WERE GOING TO MEET THAT OTHER GIRL. WELL, WE'LL JUST EXPLAIN WHAT'S HAPPENED AND GIVE HER A TENNER TO BE OUR BRIDESMAID!

YOU MEAN ... ?



... YES SEAN.

So ...



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